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PATENT

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Applicant: Mitchell et al.

Serial No.: 09/756,097

Examiner: PBA *Collins*

Filed: January 8, 2001

Group Art Unit: 1623
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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR USE IN SPLICESOME MEDIATED
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PETITION FOR QUESTION NOT SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED FOR

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed on July 23, 2001, Applicants hereby petition for acceptance of Figure 11B as filed. Applicants respectfully submit that Figure 11B was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers filed on January 8, 2001. Figures 11B-C represent data derived from β -galactosidase assays. Figure 11B represents the negative control which, as expected, lacks any detectable signal, thus, the figure appears to be blank. In contrast Figure 11C, represents positive signal indicating the presence of β -galactosidase activity. Applicants submit herewith (i) a copy of Figure 11B and 11C as filed and (ii) the return postcard, stamped by the USPTO, indicating receipt of the complete set of 58 sheets of drawings.

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The required petition fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (h) is submitted herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account Number 02-4377.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Filing Date Granted

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);
- This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing", an initial paper or compact disc copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the application. Applicant must also provide a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). If applicant desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e) may be submitted in lieu of a new CRF.

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The following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Figure(s) **11B** described in the specification.

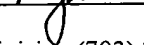
I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if it is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.

II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) requesting the later filing date **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.

III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. **THIS TWO MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b).** In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the USPTO, and original application papers (*i.e.*, the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the USPTO on the date of deposit.

In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabelled drawing figures, is required. Any drawing changes should be accompanied by a copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

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710	355	Utility filing fee	
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710	355	Reissue filing fee	
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Independent Claims	20** = 0	X	0
Multiple Dependent	3** = 0	X	0

Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description
18	9	Claims in excess of 20
80	40	Independent claims in excess of 3
270	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
80	40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
18	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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130	130	Non-English specification	
2,520	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
920*	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1,840*	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
110	55	Extension for reply within first month	
390	195	Extension for reply within second month	
890	445	Extension for reply within third month	
1,390	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1,890	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
310	155	Notice of Appeal	
310	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
270	135	Request for oral hearing	
1,510	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
110	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1,240	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1,240	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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130	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	130
50	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
180	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
40	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
710	355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
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